annual report

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31st, 1969



Codville Distributors Ltd.

and subsidiary companies

SERVING CANADA'S MID-WEST

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

	Year Ended					
	March 31st 1969	March 31st 1968	% Increase			
Sales	.\$41,299,266	\$31,656,241	30			
Income—before taxes	523,888	480,337	9			
Income Taxes Current	. 40,551	216,534 17,056	4 138 —			
	266,420	233,590	14			
Net Income		246,747	4			
Net Income per Class A Share	. 44¢	48¢	(8)			
Shares Outstanding Class A		452,593 93,055	16			
Cash Flow	. 428,525	370,464	16			
Number of Shareholders	. 869	862	1			
Number of Employees	. 329	296	11			
Number of Stores—I.G.A	. 107	76	41			
Much More	. 278	234	19			
Restating fiscal 1968 to include Company acquired in fiscal 1969 poolings of interests:						
Net Sales	.\$41,299,266	\$40,195,273	3			
Income—before taxes	523,888	510,152	3			
Income Taxes Current Deferred		224,077 17,056	1 138			
	266,420	241,133	10			
Net Income	257,468	269,019	(4)			
Net Income per Class A Share	44¢	47¢	(6)			
Shares Outstanding Class A		510,593 93,055	2			

NOTE—See Note (8) Eight Years in Review (page 13) for explanation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

The year ended March 31, 1969, highlighted by the acquisition of two Saskatchewan wholesale grocery companies, was one of progress for Codville Distributors Ltd. For the first time in history sales exceeded forty million dollars and income, prior to taxes, surpassed the half million dollar level. These records were established in the face of severe competition.

Price discounting has become widespread in the Company's marketing area. To combat this competition, gross profit margins have been reduced in many stores. At the same time costs of operation have tended to increase, particularly in salaries, interest rates, municipal and corporation taxes. Profits can only be maintained and increased by increasing sales in the various operating units and at the same time use every possible means to increase efficiency. The Company has made progress in this direction.

SALES-Up 30%

Consolidated sales established a record, in both dollars and percentage increase. Sales improved by

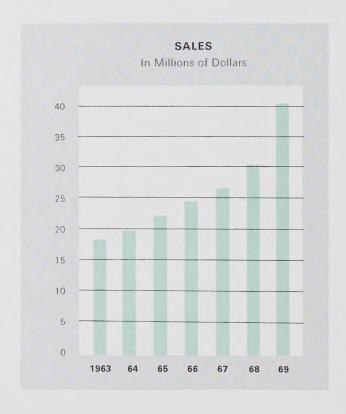
\$9,643,025 to \$41,299,266 from \$31,656,241 in 1968. When J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. sales for 1968 are included on a "pooling of interest" concept, combined sales last year, would have been \$40,195,273.

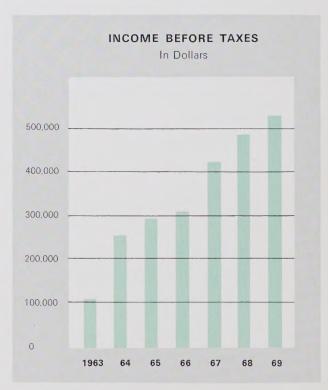
The 1969 market survey by "Canadian Grocer," states that food sales in Manitoba and Saskatchewan increased by 5.2% and 3.8% respectively. It is evident that the Company, by increasing sales 30%, through its acquisition and expansion program, has made further progress in capturing a larger share of retail food sales in its marketing area. This has been accomplished despite severe competition by corporate chain stores.

It is gratifying to note that in the past five year period, the Company's sales have increased by 117% to \$41,299,266 this year, from \$18,975,766 in the fiscal year March 31, 1964.

INCOME BEFORE TAXES—Increases by 9%

For the eighth consecutive year the Company showed an increase in income, before taxes, to reach an all time high of \$523,888. The increase of





Charts have not been restated for "Pooling of Interests"

\$43,551 is 9% higher than last year when income, prior to taxes, was \$480,337.

When 1968 figures are restated to include J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd., on a "pooling of interest" basis, income, prior to taxes, increased by \$13,736 or 3%.

Pre-tax income is 1.27% of sales compared with 1.52% the previous year. The decline is attributed to widespread price discounting, which has reduced margins at retail and non-recurring expenses in connection with the purchase of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd., Campbell, Wilson & Millar Co. Ltd. and consolidation of operations in Saskatchewan.

In the five year period from March 31, 1964, income before taxes, has increased by 113% to \$523,888 from \$246,446.

INCOME TAXES—Rise 14%

Corporation taxes amount to \$266,420, an increase of \$32,830 over last year when taxes were \$233,590 (restated, see note 4, page 11). In 1969 the Company paid tax at the rate of 51% of taxable income, while last year tax was paid at the rate of 46%.

In the past five years income taxes have increased by 167% to \$266,420 in 1969 from \$99,609 in 1964.

NET INCOME—Grows by 4%

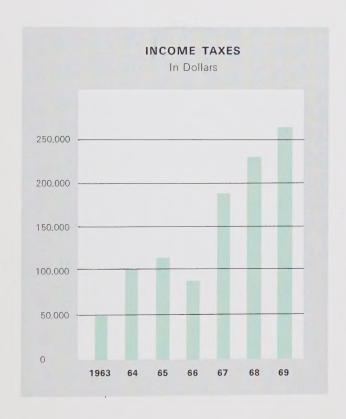
Net income increased by \$10,721 to \$257,468 from \$246,747 (restated, see note 4, page 11), the previous year. As a percentage of sales, net income is .62% compared with .78% in 1968. Net income per Class A Share is 44¢ on 522,818 Shares compared with 48¢ on 452,593 Class A Shares in 1968.

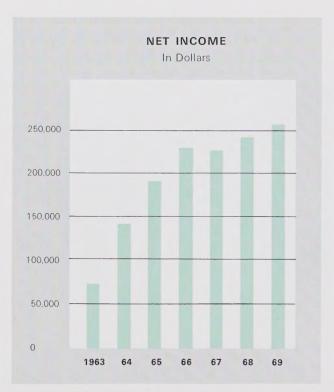
During the year the Company issued 58,000 Class A Shares in exchange for all of the Common Shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd., together with 12,100 Shares, under the executive stock option plan, for a total increase of issued Class A Shares of 70,100. At March 31, 1969, 522,818 Class A Shares and 92,930 Class B Shares were outstanding, compared with 452,593 Class A and 93,055 Class B in 1968.

In the five year period from March 31, 1964 to 1969 net income has increased from \$146,837 to \$257,468, a gain of \$110,631 or 75%.

When 1968 net income is restated to include J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd., on a "pooling of interest" basis, it is \$269,019 compared with \$257,468 this year. The decrease, this year, is due to the increase in 1969 in deferred income taxes which are \$40,551 compared with \$17,056 in 1968.

Return on shareholders' equity is 12.4%, down from 13.3% in 1968. Shareholders' equity increased





by \$257,759 to \$2,339,417 from \$2,081,658 (restated, see note 4, page 11), the previous year, and is \$3.81 per share compared with \$3.97 in 1968. The decrease in net worth per share is due to the issue of 58,000 Class A Shares in acquiring J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd.

DIVIDENDS

On May 9, 1969, your Directors declared a Dividend of 18¢ per Class A Share payable at the rate of 9¢ on May 30, to Shareholders of record on May 22, 1969, and 9¢ on November 28, to Shareholders of record on November 13, 1969. A Dividend of 3¢ per Class B Share was declared to be paid on March 16, 1970 to Shareholders of record on March 2, 1970. Dividends were paid in the amount of 18¢ per Class A Share and 3¢ per Class B Share in the fiscal year 1969. Dividends totalled \$84,266 or 32% of net income and 20% of cash flow.

CASH FLOW-Increases 16%

Cash flow amounted to \$428,525, an increase of \$58,061 over the previous year when cash flow was \$370,464. In each year cash flow amounts to 70¢ per combined Class A and B Shares. In 1969 total outstanding Shares are 615,748 compared with 545,648 in 1968.

NET INCOME PER CLASS A SHARE In Cents 50 40 30 10 1963 64 65 66 67 68 69

WORKING CAPITAL—Increases

Working capital is \$933,713, an increase of \$393,155 above the previous year, when working capital was \$540,558. Details of the changes which took place during the year are outlined in the consolidated statement of source and application of funds. This year the current working capital ratio is 1.34:1 whereas in 1968 it was 1.27:1.

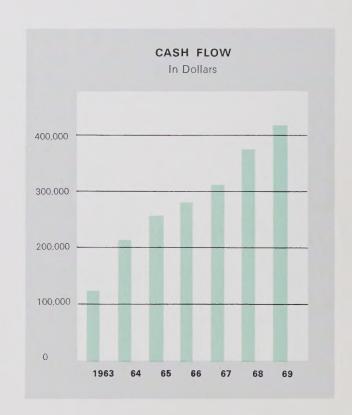
Both current assets and current liabilities have increased substantially. The increase is due, in the most part, to the acquisition of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. which has resulted in increased inventories and accounts receivable.

FINANCIAL POSITION

The cost of fixed assets increased by \$184,081 to \$1,751,852 (depreciated value \$1,050,158) from \$1,567,771 (depreciated value \$958,044) in 1968.

Shareholders' equity, long term debt and deferred income taxes total \$2,730,068, while current liabilities amount to \$2,723,767.

The Company plans to finance its operations in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1970, by cash flow from operations, the sale of certain fixed assets, and bank loans. It is planned to convert a portion of the Company's bank loans to long term debt.



EXPANSION

As reported in our interim statements, in the spring of 1968, the Company converted its Prince Albert Warehouse to a Cash & Carry Depot which is designed to service convenient type stores. restaurants, and institutions in Northern Saskatchewan. At that time the I.G.A. and Much More stores were organized to be serviced from our new Distribution Centre in Saskatoon. In June of 1968 certain assets of Campbell, Wilson & Millar Ltd., a small Saskatoon based wholesale grocer, were purchased. The inventories of the Prince Albert warehouse and Campbell, Wilson & Millar were moved to our new Saskatoon Distribution Centre and sales were similarly integrated. Although there were non-recurring expenses in connection with this consolidation, we are now in a more competitive position to increase sales and profits of our dealers and our Company in Central and Northern Saskatchewan.

During the year, the Company opened 31 I.G.A., 44 Much More Stores and remodelled or expanded four stores. Two large supermarkets, each 18,000 square feet in area, located in shopping centers, were opened in October and December of 1968.

In February 1969 the J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. was acquired. This Company, based in Regina, is well established in Southern Saskatchewan. The Com-

pany was owned by 16 employee Shareholders who exchanged their shares for Class A Shares of Codville Distributors Ltd. J. M. Sinclair will continue to operate under the same management of Messrs. V. Findlay and D. Edmonds. The key employees have remained with the Company. For a number of years Sinclair has serviced 56 Clover Farm Stores, which were converted to I.G.A. Stores and Much More Stores.

As a result of this year's expansion Codville Distributors now services 107 I.G.A. Stores, 278 Much More Stores and a number of other customers from three modern Distribution Centres located in Winnipeg, Saskatoon, and Regina. In addition, the Company sells to convenient type stores, confectionaries, restaurants and institutions from five Cash & Carrys located in Winnipeg, Regina, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon and Prince Albert.

In October of 1968 the Company commenced construction of a new Distribution Centre, located in Winnipeg, which will service the Province of Manitoba. It is planned that Winnipeg operations will be moved in June of 1969. The former Winnipeg warehouse, built in 1956, has become too small for present sales. These new facilities will increase efficiency and enable us to continue to grow in the Manitoba market.



18,000 sq. ft. Supermarket, opened October 1968, to form part of large Shopping Centre in Yorkton, Saskatchewan.



New large supermarket opens in Winnipeg, December 1968.

THE FUTURE

The expansion and consolidation of operations in Saskatchewan should result in a considerable improvement in earnings in this Division for the year ending March 31, 1970. It is expected this improvement will become more prevalent in the second half of the fiscal year, as the cost, of converting the stores from Clover Farm to I.G.A. and Much More, is absorbed, and certain existing duplications of operating costs and services are eliminated.

At the time of writing, it appears that price discounting will continue for some time. If such is the case, the low gross profits that have existed, during the past year, will continue and we expect only a moderate improvement in the retail division.

The Company will continue to pursue and investigate the possibility of further acquisitions or mergers as it is believed that this is one method by which we can continue to grow.

New retail locations are constantly being investigated and surveyed, for it is believed, as part of our expansion program, we must continue to expand the number of retail locations.

No doubt competition will be severe and the growth in total food store sales in our marketing

area will be moderate. However, we are confident that our employees, our dealers, in co-operation with suppliers and other associates can meet the challenge of improving both sales and profits.

RECOGNITION

The year ending March 31, 1969 was a difficult one for the food retail and wholesale industry, but we believe it was one of considerable achievement and growth for the Company, when existing conditions are evaluated. We attribute the progress that has been made, to the dedication of our staff, the loyalty and support of our dealers and their customers; together with the co-operation and support we have received from suppliers and other associates. We are thankful for the efforts of all those responsible for our progress.

On behalf of the Board of Directors.

B. H. CODVILLE,

President

Winnipeg, May 30, 1969



The people of Gimli, Manitoba, welcome new I.G.A. store, as retailer expands by moving to new premises.



Warehouse racks, in new Winnipeg Distribution Centre await arrival of merchandise. Company completes move to new facilities in June 1969.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year ended March 31, 1969

1968 (note 1) Restated Codville
66 \$40,195,273 \$31,656,241
84 \$ 741,060 \$ 666,528
77 44,769 44,769
06 128,346 106,662
85 27,262 4,229
28 30,531 30,531
96 . 230,908 186,191
88 510,152 480,337
69 224,077 216,534
51 17,056 17,056
20 241,133 233,590
\$ 269,019 \$ 246,747

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS

Year ended March 31, 1969

	1969	1968 (note 1)		
RETAINED EARNINGS, BEGINNING OF YEAR As previously reported		Restated	Codville	
Codville Distributors Ltd	=	\$ 478,553 40,078	\$ 478,553 —	
		518,631	478,553	
Adjustment for deferred income taxes (note 4)		70,825	70,825	
As restated\$	638,064	447,806	407,728	
Dividends paid on preferred shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd., since redeemed	3,746	1,406	_	
	634.318	446,400	407.728	
Net income	257,468	269,019	246,747	
	891,786	715,419	654,475	
Deduct:				
Loss on sale of fixed assets, less deferred income tax effect of \$14,281	12,973	_	_	
Class A shares	81,478	67,823	67,823	
Class B shares Sundry	2,788	_		
Sanary	31,238	9,532	9,532	
	128,477	77,355	77,355	
RETAINED EARNINGS, END OF YEAR	763,309	\$ 638,064	\$ 577,120	

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

Year ended March 31, 1969

	1969	1968 (note 1)
SOURCE OF FUNDS:		Restated	Codville
Operations : Net income Add items not involving a current outlay of funds		\$269,019	\$246,747
Depreciation	130,506 —	128,346 3,479	106,662 —
Deferred taxes on income	40,551	17,056	17,056
	428,525	417,900	370,465
Sale of fixed assets Issue of capital stock Reduction of mortgages receivable	123,214 71,470 5,441	202,021 46,781 7,519	201,371 — 4,447
Decrease in loans to dealers	17,956 22,684 	13,350	 13,350
	669,290	687,571	589,633
APPLICATION OF FUNDS:			
Additions to fixed assets Increase in loans to dealers Increase in mortgages receivable Increase in notes receivable	236,302 — — —	337,801 167,544 14,807 84,236	331,706 167,544 — 84,236
Reduction of long-term debt	208,325	67,061	17,061
Preferred shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. Class A shares. Class B shares. Sundry.	3,746 81,478 2,788 10,433	1,406 67,823 — 13,997	— 67,823 — 12,948
	543,072	754,675	681,318
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL	126,218	(67,104)	(91,685)
WORKING CAPITAL, BEGINNING OF YEAR	807,495	874,599 ———	632,243
WORKING CAPITAL, END OF YEAR	\$933,713	\$807,495	\$540,558

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(Incorporated under the Laws of Canada)

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET - MARCH 31, 1969

ASSETS

	1969	1968 (note 1)
		Restated	Codville
CURRENT ASSETS:	\$1,031,130	\$ 914,370	\$ 607,768
Accounts receivable		2,202,946	1.585,642
Prepaid expenses		201,274	165,762
Special refundable tax	7,880	12,790	12,790
Current instalments on other assets	137,900	147,815	147,815
	3,657,480	3,479,195	2,519,777
OTHER ASSETS:			
Loans to dealers, secured	644,052	667,244	667,244
Mortgages receivable		61,517	35,946
Notes receivable	85,307	112,920	112,920
	785,685	841,681	816,110
Less current instalments	137,900	147,815	147,815
	647,785	693,866	668,295
Investment in I.G.A. Canada Limited and other companies, at cost	43.570	43.570	38,320
Rental deposit	40,000	40,000	40,000
Life insurance, cash surrender value	14,840	11,295	9,145
	746,195	788,731	755,760
FIXED ASSETS (note 2):			
Land, buildings, equipment and leasehold			
improvements, at cost	1,751,852	1,770,723	1,567,771
Less accumulated depreciation	701,694	675,893	609,727
	1,050,158	1,094,830	958,044
TRADE MARK AND GOODWILL, at nominal value	2	24,352	2
	\$5,453,835	\$5,387,108	\$4,233,583

LIABILITIES

	1969	1968 (
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		Restated	Codville
Outstanding cheques, net	\$ 156,303	\$ 310,695	\$ 209,585
Bank loan, secured	1,345,000	715,000	575,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		1,349,991 159,436	1,039,231 138,743
Income and other taxes payable Preferred shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. outstanding	. 143,554	159,430	130,743
at March 31, 1968, since redeemed		74,918	_
Current instalments on long-term debt	. 16,152	61,660	16,660
	2,723,767	2,671,700	1,979,219
LONG-TERM DEBT (note 3)	. 276,500	484,825	84,825
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (note 4)	. 114,151	87,881	87,881
	3,114,418	3,244,406	2,151,925
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
CAPITAL STOCK (note 5):			
Authorized:			
850,000 Class A shares, no par value			
149,438 Class B shares, no par value			
Issued: 522,818 Class A shares	1,514,120	1,442,567	1,442,467
92,930 Class B shares		62,071	62,071
	1,576,108	1,504,638	1,504,538
RETAINED EARNINGS	. 763,309	638,064	577,120
	2,339,417	2,142,702	2,081,658
	\$5,453,835	\$5,387,108	\$4,233,583

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

B. H. CODVILLE, Director

A. E. MARTIN, Director

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended March 31, 1969

1. BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION:

J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd.

During the current year, Codville Distributors Ltd. acquired all outstanding common shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. in exchange for 58,000 Class A shares of Codville. The accounts of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd. are included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements on the "pooling of interests" basis.

The consolidated balance sheet reflects the carry forward of the assets of Sinclair at book values shown in the Sinclair accounts. The consolidated statements of income, retained earnings and source and application of funds reflect the combined results of operations of the companies and source and application of their funds for the year ended March 31, 1969.

Comparative figures for the 1968 year represent the restated financial position of Codville and Sinclair at March 31, 1968 and the restated results of their operations and source and application of their funds for the year then ended.

The Codville Company, Limited

The Codville Company, Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary, the shares of which were acquired in a prior year by issue of shares of Codville Distributors Ltd. The accounts of The Codville Company, Limited are included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements on the "pooling of interests" basis.

. FIXED ASSETS:	Accumulated Depreciation	Net
Land \$ 93,463 Equipment 1,459,467 Leasehold improvements 198,922	\$ 632,124 69,570	\$ 93,463 827,343 129,352
\$1,751,852	\$ 701,694	\$1,050,158
LONG-TERM DEBT:		
Details of long-term debt are :	Interest Rate	
Notes payable: On demand after November 30, 1970	5% 3% 5%	\$ 35,000 42,500 7,500 85,000
Debenture payable, J. M. Sinclair: \$50,000 per annum May 1970 to 1973, inclusive	61/2%	200,000
Mortgage payable: \$8,160 per annum to February 1, 1970	6%	7,652
Less current instalments		292,652 16,152
		\$ 276,500

4. INCOME TAXES:

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In prior years the companies have charged earnings with income taxes currently payable. In 1969 the companies have changed their basis of accounting for income taxes by also charging earnings with income taxes deferred by claiming capital cost allowances in excess of depreciation recorded in the accounts. The accumulated total of such income tax deferments for prior years has been recorded by a transfer from "Retained earnings" to "Deferred income taxes." 1968 figures in the financial statements have been restated and are shown as though the change to the new basis of recording income taxes had been made at the beginning of 1968.

5. CAPITAL STOCK:

The rights attaching to each class of shares are:

Class A—one vote per share, annual preferential, non-cumulative dividends of $15 \not e$ per share; further dividends payable equally to class A and class B shareholders.

Class B—ten votes per share, convertible to an equal number of class A shares. During the year 125 shares were so converted. (437 shares in 1968.)

At March 31, 1969 172,338 class A shares were reserved for issue as follows:

149,438 for conversion of class B shares.

10,000 for the exercise of share purchase warrants which are outstanding at \$6.00 per share until May 31, 1970.

12,900 for the executive stock option plan.

Executive stock options, which are contingent on continuous employment to the option date may be granted to officers and executives for a period of five years. The option price may not be less than 90% of the market price on the date the options are granted. During the year executive stock options were exercised with respect to 12,100 class A shares.

During the year the company issued 58,000 class A shares in exchange for all of the issued common shares of J. M. Sinclair Co. Ltd.

6. LEASES:

The minimum annual rentals (exclusive of taxes, insurance and other occupancy charges) under lease obligations for store locations and warehouse facilities amount to \$500,000.

It is expected that annual rental revenue of \$267,000 will be received from stores that have been sublet to dealers.

7. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

There are contingent liabilities of \$115,700.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders of Codville Distributors Ltd.

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of Codville Distributors Ltd. and its subsidiary companies as at March 31, 1969 and the consolidated statements of income, retained earnings and source and application of funds for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion these consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position of the companies as at March 31, 1969 and the results of their operations and the source and application of their funds for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year, after giving effect in that year to the change in accounting for income taxes as set out in note 4, with which we concur.

THORNE, GUNN, HELLIWELL & CHRISTENSON

Chartered Accountants

Winnipeg, Canada, May 1, 1969

and subsidiary companies

EIGHT YEARS IN REVIEW

1962	\$17,665,947	63,743	(27,691)	(3,358)	(3,358)	(24,333)	(14)	39,410	573,926	1.53:1
1963	\$17,596,366 \$1	62,949	118,074	49,995	49,995	68,079	.39	131,028	558,441	1.46:1
1964	\$18,975,766	72,804	246,446	609'66	609'66	146,837	77.	219,641	400,250	1.34:1
1965	\$21,520,544	86,897	294,844	114,700	114,700	180,144	.84	267,400	1,038,462	1.89:1
1966	\$23,977,288	102,120	312,352	84,300	84,300	228,052	. 95	281,988	581,284	1.54:1
1967	\$25,481,236	96,904	412,699	188,324	188,324	224,375	88.	321,279	619,665	1.46:1
1968	\$31,656,241	106,662	480,337	216,534	233,590	246,747	. 78	370,464	540,558	1.27:1
1969	.\$41,299,266	130,506	523,888	225,869	266,420	257,468	.62	428,525	933,713	1.34:1
	Sales\$	Depreciation	Income—before taxes.	Income Taxes: Current Deferred		Net Income	Net Income as a percentage of Sales.	Cash Flow	Working Capital	Current Ratio

EARNINGS DATA—(1966-1968 Restated For Poolings—Note 8)

	NOTE: (8) A Cor	Codville Distri the financial s	and the earnin to include the	poolings of int Distributors L	current fiscally and the eight	as restated fig accounting pri
\$30,311,177	342,356		91,965	1	91,965	250,391
\$41,299,266 \$40,195,273 \$33,384,089 \$30,311,177	438,075		195,961		195,961	242,114
\$40,195,273	510,152		224,077	17,056	241,133	269,019
\$41,299,266	523,888		225,869	40,551	266,420	257,468
Sales	Income—before taxes.	Income Taxes:	Current	Deferred		Net Income

DISTRIBUTION CENTRES



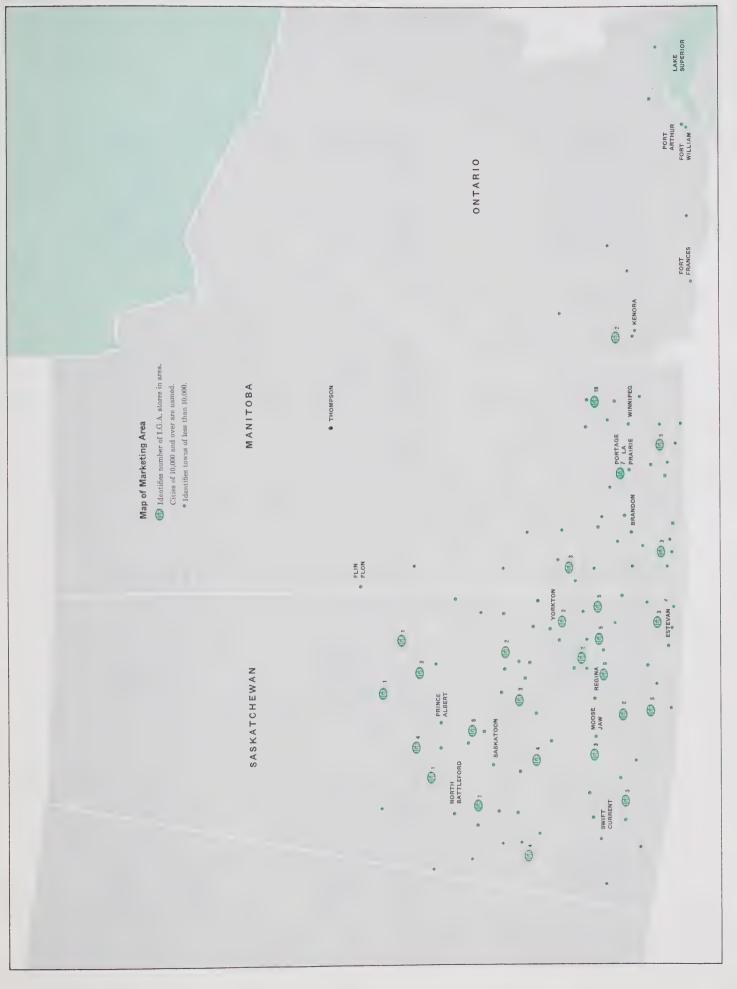
New Manitoba Distribution Centre



Regina Distribution Centre



Saskatoon Distribution Centre



DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, CORPORATE MANAGEMENT

Names and Addresses, Responsibilities and Affiliations



*BRUCE H. CODVILLE
161 Gillia Drive, Winnipeg 17, Manitoba
President, Director since 1958.
Employed by Company since 1949.
Director, I G A Canada Limited
Director, The Fidelity Trust Company
Director, Canadian Grocery Distributors' Institute



JOHN COTE 55 - 20th Street East, Prince Albert, Sask. Director; Retired Executive of The Codville Company Limited



ROBERT A. LOESCH 66 Sandham Crescent, Winnipeg 22, Manitoba Retail Operations Manager. Employed by the Company since 1963 with 21 years experience in the Retail Food Business



*ARTHUR E. MARTIN 93 Peony Avenue, Winnipeg 17, Manitoba Executive Vice-President, Treasurer, Director Employed by the Company since 1958 in an executive capacity



THOMAS W. MEREDITH Midland-Osler Securities Limited Toronto, Ontario Director, Investment Dealer Director, Midland-Osler Securities Ltd.



MICHAEL BRUCKI
297 Rita Street, Winnipeg 12, Manitoba
Comptroller
Employed by the Company since 1959



*W. DOUGLAS CROWE
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